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SUBJECT: CONVERSATION WITH EGYPTIAN AMBASSADOR (ABDEL AZIZ GAMIL)

SEPTEMBER 30

1. DURING SEPT 30 COURTESY CALL, GAMIL TOLD ME THAT HE MET WITH FOREIGN AND PRIME MINISTERS DURING AUG/SEPT HOME LEAVE AND URGED BOTH INCREASE EGYPTIAN AID TO SOMALIA AS WELL AS SENDING HIGH LEVEL DEL TO MOGADISCIO AS EARNEST EGYPTIAN SUPPRT FOR FELLOW ARAB LEAGUE MEMBER. EGYPT AGREED SEND 180 ADDITIONAL TEACHERS TO SOMALIA BUT NO DECISION MADE ON SENDING HIGH LEVEL DELEGATION.

2. GAMIL ALSO URGED STRONGLY THAT EGYPT INTERCEDE WITH SAUDIS TO PERSUADE THEM BE FORTHCOMING WITH ASSISTANCE TO GSDR, BELIEVING SAUDIS ARE ROAD BLOCK RE ARAB LEAGUE'S PLAN TO AID SOMALIA WITH \$100 PLUS PROGRAM. GAMIL SAID EGYPTIAN FONMIN CONVINCED SAUDIS STILL FURIOUS AT SIAD'S DEVIATIONS FROM SPIRIT AND LETTER KORAN'S TEACHINGS, AND WANT SIAD TO TO JIDDA ON BENDED KNEE ASKING FOR-GIVENESS PAST SINS COMMISSION AND OMISSION BEFORE AGREEING TO ANY JOINT ARAB AID PROGRAM FOR SOMALIA. GAMIL TOLD FONMIN SIAD WOULD NEVER DO THIS. HOWEVER IF ARAB LEAGUE MEMBERS ARE SERIOUSLY

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CONCERNED WITH USSR ACTIVITIES IN HORN AND INDIAAN OCEAN THEN THE

TIME TO STOP SIAD FROM CONSUMATING GSDR/SOV "AFFAIR- WAS AT HAND.

3. TURNING TO ANOTHER SUBJECT, GAMIL SAID WHILE IN CAIRO HE
HEAARD THAT A PROPOSAL IS BEING FLOATED IN ARAB LEAGUE THAT EGYPT,
SAUDI, SYRIA AND UNNAMED FOURTH MEMBER MEET QUIETLY (TIME, PLACE
UNKNOWN) -- AND ASAP -- TO WORK OUT DETAILS LONG POSTPONED ARAB
LEAGUE MEETING. SOMALIA DESSIRE HOST MEETING NOT RPT NOT UNER
CONSIDERATION.

4. CONCLUDING, GAMIL TOLD ME THAT AT SEPT 26 SRC MEETING SIAD
REPORTEDLY BERATED SECINFO FOR ALLOWING SOMALI NEWSPAPERS PRINT
STORY THAT HE HAD AGREED WITH SYRIANS' POSITION ON RECENT ME
NEGOTIATIONS; SIAD SAID HE HAD LISTENED TO SYRIAN DELEGATION BUT
HAD NOT RPT NOT AGREED WITH ITS POSITION.
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